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REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present claims, in light of the Remarks which follow, is respectfully requested.

Claims now before the Examiner are 1-16, 18 and 20.

Support for the claim amendments (claims 1 and new claim 20) may be found paragraph [0148], page 33. Applicants note that the total number of claims paid for has not changed with the cancellation of two claims. No new matter has been added.

The numbering in this Response will follow that of the Examiner's action.

1.-3. No response necessary.

Double Patenting

4.-5. *Claims 1-13 stand provisionally rejected over USSN 10/772,823.*

Upon indication of allowable subject matter in the present case, a Terminal Disclaimer will be filed.

Rejections under 35 USC § 102 and/or 35 USC § 103

7.-8. *Claims 1-13 stand rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as Anticipated or under 35 USC § 103(a) as Obvious over US 5,124,418 (Welborn).*

All the claims as amended contain the element "...said bimodal polyethylene [comprises] consists of a nitrogen containing ligand detectable by High Resolution Mass Spectroscopy (HRMS)..." in reference to the claimed bimodal polyethylene. Welborn neither discloses or suggests a catalyst residue in the polyethylene from a nitrogen containing ligand. Therefore, Welborn does not Anticipate the present claims. Furthermore, without a disclosure to this element of the claims, a Prima Facie case of Obviousness cannot be made because Welborn does not disclose or suggest all the claim elements, as amended (MPEP 2142).

Accordingly, withdrawal of the Rejections is respectfully requested.

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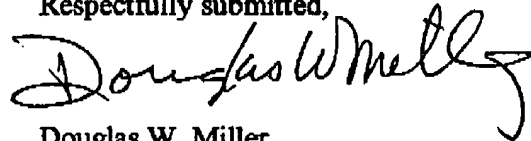
The claims are in condition for allowance.

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